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**"AN ACT CONCERNING AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE OF
IMPRISONMENT FOR UNPAID FINES."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 18-87k of the general statutes, as amended by
4 section 159 of public act 03-6 of the June 30 special session, is repealed
5 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (a) The commission shall: (1) Develop and recommend policies for
7 preventing prison and jail overcrowding; (2) examine the impact of
8 statutory provisions and current administrative policies on prison and
9 jail overcrowding and recommend legislation to the Governor and the
10 General Assembly; (3) annually prepare and distribute a
11 comprehensive state criminal justice plan for preventing prison and jail
12 overcrowding which shall include, but not be limited to, the number of
13 persons currently involved in pretrial and postsentencing options

14 predominantly provided through community-based agencies which
15 minimize the number of persons requiring incarceration consistent
16 with protection of public safety, including mediation, restitution,
17 supervisory release and community service plans and the impact on
18 prison populations, local communities and court caseloads. The
19 commission shall take into account any state plans in the related areas
20 of mental health and drug and alcohol abuse in the development of
21 such plan. The commission shall take into account the report of the
22 findings and recommendations of the Alternatives to Incarceration
23 Advisory Committee established under section 158 of [this act] public
24 act 03-6 of the June 30 special session in the development of the plan.
25 The plan shall be submitted annually to the Governor and General
26 Assembly on or before January fifteenth; (4) research and gather
27 relevant statistical data and other information concerning the impact of
28 efforts to prevent prison and jail overcrowding and make such
29 information available to criminal justice agencies and members of the
30 General Assembly.

31 (b) The commission shall establish a subcommittee on corrections
32 behavioral health composed of the Commissioner of Correction, the
33 Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services and a
34 representative of The University of Connecticut Health Center having
35 responsibility for the administration of the contract with the
36 Department of Correction concerning the provision of health care
37 services to inmates of the department. The subcommittee shall make
38 recommendations to the commission concerning the provision of
39 behavioral health services to inmates of the Department of Correction."